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Directed Energy Directorate Personnel win annual corporate awards

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KIRTLAND AFB, N.M. - Two Directed Energy Directorate personnel, Dr. Craig A. Denman and Master Sgt. Norris A. Stokes, received the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) annual Corporate Awards at an awards dinner at Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio.

Denman received the Scientific/Technical Management Award for successfully uniting several Department of Defense and commercial partners into a national laser integration technology team that made significant advances in high-power fiber laser manufacturing technologies.

Denman, technical director for the Laser Integration Technology Program, was also the United States delegate to the international Wassenaar Arrangement, an international organization promoting export controls on conventional weapons and dual-use goods.

He co-authored eight proposals or counter proposals dealing with laser technology with the departments of Commerce and State, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and the Wassenaar 33-member organization.

Master Sgt. Stokes received the Corporate Leadership Award while serving as the First Sergeant of the 1,400 military member Phillips Research Site. He improved the quality of life for enlisted members during the reorganization of the site. These improvements included better dormitory rooms and counseling enlisted personnel with training, personal and disciplinary concerns. The 17-year Air Force member is now the First Sergeant of the 377th Security Forces Squadron.

Brig. Gen. Paul D. Nielsen, AFRL Commander presented the awards. @



STOKES RECEIVES CORPORATE AWARD – Brig. Gen. Paul D. Nielsen, AFRL Commander presents Corporate Leadership to Master Sgt. Norris A. Stokes (right), first sergeant, 377th Security Forces Squadron. Sergeant Stokes received the award for improving quality of life for enlisted personnel while serving as First Sergeant of the Phillips Research site.



DENMAN RECIPIENT OF ANNUAL AWARD — Brig. Gen. Paul D. Nielsen, AFRL Commander presents Scientific/Technical Management Award to Dr. Craig A. Denman (right), technical director, Laser Integration Technology Program of the Directed Energy Directorate. Dr. Denman won the annual award for making significant advances in high-power fiber laser manufacturing technologies.